

## **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS**

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#### **SAN MATEO, CA.**

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Report for the period Wednesday, May 7, through Sunday, May 11, 2008

5/7/08 WEDNESDAY

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

There were no races offered exclusively for Cal-Breds for today's races.

(2) RICK VENDIL FINANCIAL

California Horse Racing Board complaint 08BM126 filed against owner Robert Vendil by trainer Eddie Rich for training fees in the amount of \$8,500 was resolved by pay agreement. Mr. Vendil reduced the debt by \$4,000 after he transferred ownership of one of his horses to Mr. Rich with the remaining balance to be paid as outlined in the pay agreement. The terms and conditions of the agreement were recorded by certified shorthand reporter Christine Niccoli.

(3) EL PRESIDIO FARMS FINANCIAL

California Horse Racing Board complaint 08BM133 filed against El Presidio Farm by Equine Sports Medicine & Surgery for a debt of \$478.24 was dismissed after Lynette Thompson representing the veterinary service reported the debt has been paid in full.

(4) DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS

2 <sup>nd</sup> race # 3 TEACHERS RULE	(Tr. Terry Knight)
vet- sick Diane Isbell D.V.M.	Refunds \$ 274.00

3 <sup>rd</sup> race # 6 HE'S INVINCIBLE	(Tr. Mark Glatt)
Re- entry (racing office request)	Refunds \$ 666.60

7 <sup>th</sup> race # 7 SUM TING GOOD	(Tr. Aggie Ordonez)
vet- injury, Diane Isbell D.V.M.	Refunds \$ 295.00

(5) RACING PROGRAM

The racing program progressed smoothly without noteworthy incident.

(6) ATTENDANCE- HANDLE

On Track Attendance	1,785
N-Cal Attendance	4,061
On Track Handle	\$458,149.80
N-Cal Handle	\$1,288,601.40
<u>S Cal on N Cal</u>	<u>\$512,269.40</u>
 Total Handle	 \$3,690,078.92

5/8/08 THURSDAY

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

Purse \$22,000. for Cal-Bred Fillies Three Years Old, claiming \$20,000, at a distance of one mile. The race was called off with two entries.

(2) DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS

5 <sup>th</sup> race #5 WHOLETOWNUNDERWATER	(Tr. Ike Orr)
vet- unsound, Diane Isbell D.V.M.	Refunds \$ 687.00

#6 YOUAREWHATYOUARE	(Tr. Rene Amescua)
vet- sick, Diane Isbell D.V.M.	Refunds \$ 155.00

The two declarations listed above reduced the field to four wagering interest resulting in the cancellation and refund of show wagers.

(3) INQUIRY- NO CHANGE

The inquiry sign was lit following the running of the 3<sup>rd</sup> race for a Stewards review of the stretch run involving #2 TREST N THE WIND (1<sup>st</sup> place- Russell Baze) and #6 GIANT

BELTWAY (2<sup>nd</sup> place – Roberto Gonzalez) after talking to the riders involved and reviewing the recorded views, the numbers posted were made official.

The tapes show #2 initiate contact with #3 after shifting out near the 1/8 pole and make slight contact with that rival. Both horses continued to lean on each other and contribute to mutual contact near the wire. Since both horses contributed to the contact no change in placings were made.

(4) QUICK PICK OPTION ON BET JET MACHINES

A possible problem with the quick pick option on the Bet Jet machines was reported this morning. Mutual Manager Bryan Wayte was notified and he stated, he would have Scientific Games (Autotote) run a diagnostic scan on quick pick program. Mr. Wayte informed the Stewards later in the day a problem did exist and the new Bet Jet machines would be taken off line. A letter of explanation was requested and will be attached to the minutes. The Sacramento office was also notified of the potential problem. More to come...

(5) INQUIRY- DISQUALIFICATION

Following the running of the 7<sup>th</sup> race the inquiry sign was posted for a Stewards review of observed interference near the 5/8 pole involving #3 CHROMETICS (4<sup>th</sup> place – Jorge Herrera) and #2 TIANJIN (6<sup>th</sup> place- Chris Landeros). After talking to the riders involved, the patrol judge and reviewing the tapes of the race, #3 was disqualified from 4<sup>th</sup> and placed 6<sup>th</sup>.

The tapes show #3 lug inward and take the path of #2 forcing the rider on #2 to check sharply, lose position and a chance at a better placing.

(6) ATTENDANCE- HANDLE

On Track Attendance	2,079
N-Cal Attendance	4,380
On Track Handle	\$471,108.20
N-Cal Handle	\$1,310,119.00
S Cal on N Cal	<u>\$379,182.60</u>
Total Handle	\$2,999,265.64

5/9/08 FRIDAY

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

Purse \$15,000. for Cal-Bred Three Year Olds, claiming \$12,500 at a distance of one mile. The race was called off with one entry.

(2) DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS

1<sup>st</sup> race # 3 MAD ABOUT FUZZ  
vet- injury, Diane Isbell D.V.M.

(Tr. A. L. Diaz)  
Refunds \$ 662.00

3<sup>rd</sup> race #4 FINAL MEETING  
vet- lame Jessica Christainsen D.V.M.

(Tr. Ed Moger Jr.)  
Refunds \$10,102.52

6<sup>th</sup> race #1 HE'S INVINCIBLE  
vet- lame Jessica Christiansen D.V.M.

(Tr. Mark Glatt)  
Refunds 22,558.34

(3) FILM REVIEW

Jockeys Roberto Gonzalez and Russell Baze were given warnings regarding maintaining a straight course with there mounts. (REF 5/8/08) The tapes show both horses leaning on each other with both riders contributing to contact near the wire.

Jockey Jorge Herrera was exonerated of carelessness after he reviewed the 7<sup>th</sup> race with the Stewards. The tapes show Mr. Herrera making a concerted effort to straighten his mount while his horse was lugging inward and eventually taking the path of another horse.

(4) OVERFLOWING – ATTENDANCE

Attendance for the last Friday night of racing at Bay Meadows was nearly double the attendance of the Kentucky Derby attendance. 14,366 people attended the races last night and after researching attendance records the last crowd that size was on Labor Day 1992.

(5) ATTENDANCE - HANDLE

On Track Attendance	14,366
N-Cal Attendance	16,981
On Track Handle	\$751,942.40
N-Cal Handle	\$1,750,078.00
<u>S Cal on N Cal</u>	<u>\$437,828.70</u>
Total Handle	\$2,987,392.18

5/10/08 SATURDAY

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

Purse \$ 11,000 for Cal-Bred Fillies and Mares Four Years Old and Upward, claiming \$6,250 at five and one half furlongs. Two horses were entered in the race and the race was called off.

(2) DECLARATIONS- REFUNDS

3<sup>rd</sup> race # 1 ABSOULTELY SMITTEN  
vet- sick Diane Isbell D.V.M.

(Tr. Adam Kitchingham  
Refunds (entry)

#6 SPACY TRACY  
vet- sick, Diane Isbell D.V.M.

(Tr. Angelo Tekos Jr.)  
Refunds \$ 729.30

6 <sup>th</sup> race # 6 RONICA'S BOY	(Tr. Eddie Trujillo)
vet- injury, Jessica Christiansen D.V.M.	Refunds \$ 109.00
 #7 EARNEST STORM	 (Tr. Jeff Bonde)
vet- injury, Jessica Christiansen D.V.M.	Refunds \$ 1,106.20
 7 <sup>th</sup> race #7 TROY FAN	 (Tr. Steve Miyadi)
vet- sick, Diane Isbell D.V.M.	Refunds \$ 476.30
 10 <sup>th</sup> race # 2 MIKALOUIE	 (Tr. Mark Glatt)
vet- unsound, Jessica Christiansen D.V.M.	Refunds \$ 8,214.03

(3) DURAN FILM REVIEW

Jockey Francisco Duran was cautioned to be more alert when allowing his mount to drift. The tapes of the eighth race shows Mr. Duran allow his mount, #6 BRIEF MARK (3<sup>rd</sup> place) to drift out in the late stages of the race as the 2<sup>nd</sup> place finisher, #2 RUNAWAY WAGON was pointing for and attempting to go between his mount and the winner #1 DEVILISH DENAE.

(4) INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

Following the running of the 8<sup>th</sup> race the inquiry sign was posted for a review of observed interference nearing the 1/16 pole involving #3 DAB OF LIGHTNING (2<sup>nd</sup> place – Jorge Herrera) and #2 R LUMBER (3<sup>rd</sup> place – Luis Martinez). After talking to the riders involved and the patrol judge in addition to reviewing the recorded views of the race, #3 was disqualified from 2<sup>nd</sup> place to 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The tapes show #3 drift out under left hand whip into the path of #2 forcing the rider of #2 to shift out to avoid heels, losing ground and costing #2 a chance of a better placing. The decision was unanimous.

(4) ATTENDANCE- HANDLE

On Track Attendance	4,783
N-Cal Attendance	8,306
On Track Handle	\$1,081,402.40
N-Cal Handle	\$2,524,330.00
<u>S Cal on N Cal</u>	<u>\$ 868,761.40</u>
 Total Handle	 \$5,101,547.22

5/11 SUNDAY

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

Purse \$ 31,000 Cal-Bred Allowance claiming for Fillies and Mares Three Years Old and Upward which have never won \$7,500.00 once other than maiden races, claiming, and starter or which have never won two races or claiming \$25,000 at one mile and one sixteenth. Only two horses were entered in the race and the race was called off.

(2) DECLARATIONS REFUND

5<sup>th</sup> race #6 DRAGONSEED  
vet- sick, Diane Isbell D.V.M.

(Tr. Steve Miyadi)  
Refunds \$ 254.00

6<sup>th</sup> race # 7 TRANQUILO  
vet- sick, Diane Isbell D.V.M.

(Tr. Jerry Hollendorfer)  
Refunds \$ 1,155.50

9<sup>th</sup> race # 10 DEVIL CIELO  
vet, sick Diane Isbell D.V.M.

(Tr. Jerry Hollendorfer)  
Refunds \$ 1,445.70

(3) HERRERA RULING

Ruling # 72

Jockey Jorge Herrera, who rode DAB OF LIGHTNING in the eighth race at Bay Meadows Race Course on Saturday, May 10, 2008 is suspended five (5) racing days (May 18, 21, 22, 23, and 24, 2008) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from second to third. A violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (d) & (f) (Riding Rules –Careless Riding).

The ruling listed above was issued after Mr. Herrera reviewed the race with the Stewards and failed to offer a reason that would absolve him of careless riding.

(4) INQUIRY – ACCIDENT

Following the running of the 7<sup>th</sup> race the inquiry sign was posted for a review of an accident at the head of the stretch involving #1 FABULOUS MR MIKE (fell- Jockey Adrian Perez) and #7 WARREN’S CANDY CAT (5<sup>th</sup> place Jockey Ineol Beato).

After talking to the riders involved and reviewing the tapes of the race, the race was made official.

The tapes show both horses maintaining their lanes while leaning on each other as #1 falls. The tapes failed to reveal the reason which caused the horse to fall, therefore no change in the placings were made. Steward Baker cast a dissenting opinion.

The horse FABULOUS MR MIKE was uninjured and walked back to it’s stable. Jockey Perez appeared to be uninjured and transported to first aid for further examination.

(5) ATTENDANCE - HANDLE

On Track Attendance	7,803
N-Cal Attendance	11,205
On Track Handle	\$1,109,213.50
N-Cal Handle	\$2,273,176.00
<u>S Cal on N Cal</u>	<u>\$ 726,857.20</u>
Total Handle	\$4,761,329.40

	7-May	8-May	9-May	10-May	11-May	WEEK TOTAL	Meet TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	0	0	0	0	1	1	10
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
CLAIMS	3	3	4	4	1	14	171
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	1	0	1	0	2	14
INQUIRIES / OBJECTIONS	0	1	0	0	0	1	40
REFUNDS	3	2	3	6	3	17	101
RULINGS	0	0	0	0	1	1	72

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